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THIRTY DOLLARS
PER ANNUM.

Banks.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL\$10,000,000
RESERVE FUND\$5,500,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS.....\$10,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS:
J. KRAMER, Esq., Chairman.
A. McCORMICK, Esq., Deputy Chairman.
Hon. J. J. Bell-Irving, Esq.,
G. B. Dodwell, Esq.,
M. D. Eschell, Esq.,
R. M. Gray, Esq.,
S. C. Michaelson, Esq.,
D. R. Sassoon, Esq.,
N. A. Sles, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER:
Hongkong—T. JACKSON, Esq.
MANAGER:
Shanghai—H. M. BEVIS, Esq.
LONDON BANKERS—LONDON AND COUNTY
BANKING COMPANY, LIMITED.
HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED
On Current Account at the rate of 3 per Cent.
per Annum on the daily balance.

INTEREST ON FIXED DEPOSITS:
For 3 months, 2 1/2 per Cent. per Annum.
For 6 months, 3 1/2 per Cent. per Annum.
For 12 months, 4 1/2 per Cent. per Annum.
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 24th September, 1895. [183]

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted
by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be
obtained on application.

INTEREST ON DEPOSITS is allowed at 3 per Cent.
per annum.
Depositors may transfer at their option
balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND
SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED
DEPOSIT at 4 per Cent. per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st August, 1895. [184]

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

Authorized Capital\$1,000,000
Subscribed Capital\$500,000

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

COURT OF DIRECTORS:
D. Gillies, Esq.,
H. Stollerhoff, Esq.,
Chan Kit Shan, Esq.,
Chow Tung Shang, Esq.,
Kwan Hoi Chuen, Esq.,
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR,
Chief Manager.

Interest for 12 months Fixed, 5 per Cent.
Hongkong, 23rd October, 1895. [17]

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL\$1,500,000
SUBSCRIBED\$1,250,000
PAID-UP\$850,000

BANKERS:

LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT
ACCOUNTS at the rate of 2 per cent.
per annum on the Daily Balance.

ON NEW FIXED DEPOSITS—
For 12 Months4 per cent.
" 6 "3 1/2 " "
" 3 "3 " "
DEPOSITS RENEWED ON OLD TERMS.

JOHN THURBURN,
Manager, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 2nd August, 1895. [18]

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.
HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP\$300,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHARE-
HOLDERS\$300,000
RESERVE FUND\$325,000

INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT
ACCOUNT at the rate of 2 per cent. per
annum on the Daily Balance.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months, 4 per cent.
" 6 "3 1/2 " "
" 3 "3 " "
T. H. WHITEHEAD,
Manager, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 16th September, 1895. [195]

Intimations.

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

1894 ACCOUNT.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

A FINAL DIVIDEND of 56 per SHARE has
this day been DECLARED. WARRANTS
will be issued on MONDAY, the 1st instant.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Agents,
CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LD.
Hongkong, 19th October, 1895. [144]

NORTH BORNEO REVENUE FARMS.

TENDERS will be received by the
SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNOR,
SARAWAK, on or before 30th NOVEMBER next,
for the following REVENUE FARMS for 1896—

OPIMUM FARM, North Borneo East Coast.
SPIRIT LICENSE FARM, North Borneo, Prov.
Alcock (Kodai).
PAYWATER FARM, North Borneo.
CUSTOMS FARM OF IMPORT AND EXPORT
DUTIES, North Borneo.
GAMBLING RESTRICTION, for North Borneo
only.

BLACHAN, BIRDS-NEST, WHARF DUES AND
MARKET DUES, North Borneo only.

TENDERS for these FARMS may be made
for the whole of the District Province or for
each District and Province separately.
For Particulars, apply to the Hongkong or
Singapore Agents of the BARRON MOUNT
BORNEO COMPANY.

Hongkong, 27th July, 1895. [192]

Intimations.

BELL'S ASBESTOS EASTERN AGENCY, LIMITED.

Sole Eastern Agents for
SPHINXOR GRIP ARMOURD HOSE.
Sole Eastern Agents for
THE NEW WIRE WOVEN ROOFING CO.
THE ALUMINIUM & GENERAL FOUNDRY CO.



ASBESTOS PACKINGS of every description.
ASBESTOS SHEETS, MILLBOARDS, CANVAS, &c.
ASBESTOS COMPOSITION for COVERING BOILERS and STEAM PIPES.
CANVAS CORE PACKING (Tuck Form). SPECIAL ENGINE and CYLINDER OILS.
ASBESTOLINE, the most economical lubricant.
ALL GOODS BEARING TRADE MARK GUARANTEED.
W. JACKSON, Manager.
Hongkong, 26th September, 1895. [185]

KELLY & WALSH, LD.

WEYMAN'S—From the Memoirs of a
Minister of F. nce.
A Comedy in Spenser, by author of Yellow Aster.
Transitions, by author of A Superfluous Woman.
Barbarian, by Maria Carroll.
Stark Moore Letters, by A. Conna Doyle.
Kipling's Barrack Room Ballads, cheap edition.
Bismarck's Naval Annual for 1895.
The Master, by Zangwill.
The Ebb-Tide, by Stevenson & Lloyd Osbourne.
Let's Dances for 1896.
Imperial Date Book for 1896.
Sampson Low's: New Christmas Annual.

THE SORTFOLIO: Portraits and
Biographies.
Hutton's Work's Manager's Hand-Book.
Stromeyer's Marine Boiler Management.
Cruckshank's Boiler Construction.
Pasch's: From Keel to Truck.
Mechanical Engineer's Pocket Book: Clark.
Sutton & Rounthwaite's Pocket Book.
Hawell's Mechanics & Engineer's Pocket Book.
Lowndes's Law of General Average.
Modern Dogs (Terriers).
Modern Dogs (Non Sporting).
Christmas Cards: A splendid assortment.

KELLY & WALSH, LIMITED.
Hongkong, 25th October, 1895. [16]

FOR SALE.

G. H. MUMM & CO'S CHAMPAGNE.

In cases of 2 doz. plus\$35 per case.
do " " quart\$33 " "

SHEWAN & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 13th May, 1895. [634]

SCOTCH WHISKIES.

GLENLIVAT,
VERY OLD HIGHLAND BLEND,
RARE OLD BLEND,
"WAY FOONG" BLEND,
EXTRA SPECIAL LIQUEUR,
V.O.S. OLD MATURED,
FERRINTOSH.

CALDBECK, MACGREGOR & Co.
WINE and SPIRIT MERCHANTS.
15, QUEEN'S ROAD.
Hongkong, 18th October, 1895. [939]

PATRONS

OF THE H.K. HOTEL ARE RESPECTFULLY INFORMED THAT A
BILLIARD HALL will shortly COMMENCE THERE.
FIRST PRIZE—A GOLD WATCH.

MOUNT AUSTIN HOTEL.

1,400 FEET ABOVE SEA LEVEL.
TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS,
"MOUNTAUSTIN," HONGKONG.
A. B. C. Code.
No. 35.
THE TEMPERATURE IS AT LEAST 10 DEGREES COOLER THAN IN
QUEEN'S ROAD.
TIFFIN AT 1 P.M. DINNER AT 8 P.M.
ARRANGEMENTS can be made for TIFFIN or DINNER PARTIES in
PRIVATE DINING-ROOMS.
For further Particulars apply to
THE MANAGER,
MOUNT AUSTIN HOTEL.
Hongkong, 27th July, 1895. [144]

Intimations.

ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS.

INSURE YOUR LIFE AGAINST FATAL ACCIDENT
BY SUBSCRIBING
TO
"THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH."

THE SCOTTISH METROPOLITAN LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY WILL PAY
THE SUM OF
\$1,000 MEXICAN.

As the legal representatives of the European holder of this COUPON in the event of his death by
Accident while on land, within the confines of HONGKONG or any Treaty Ports of CHINA or
JAPAN, or the immediate neighbourhood thereof, provided that the Name and Address of the said
holder appears in the List of European Subscribers to the
"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH"

as furnished to the Company for the Three Months ending 31st December, 1895; that the
premium thereon has been duly paid; that death takes place within One Month from the
occurrence of the Accident, and that notice of death, with full particulars, is sent within fourteen
days of its happening to Mr. J. Y. V. VERNON, Hongkong. It being declared that \$1,000 only
will be paid in respect of any one death.

*This premium is valid provided it is shown by
the Proprietors of The Hongkong Telegraph.

J. Y. V. VERNON,
AGENT.

Hongkong, 1st October, 1895. [1350]

JASTRAM'S PATENT GOLDEN MEDAL PETROLEUM ENGINES

OF 2 TO 12 H.P.
FOR FACTORIES AND LAUNCHES.
WORKED BY ORDINARY PETROLEUM.

Consumption of Petroleum 1 lb. per H.P. and Hour.
A Working Stationary Engine and a Launch with a 4 H.P.
Engine will be shown and full particulars be given on application.

SCHEELE & CO., HONGKONG,
SOLE AGENTS FOR THE EAST.

NO PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER REQUIRED.

TIT BITS!!! TIT BITS!!! TIT BITS!!!

FROM THE HONGKONG BUTCHERY.

PRIME FRESH KOBE BEEF.
SHANGHAI CORNED BEEF.
AMERICAN ROLL BUTTER.

J. TATAM,
PROPRIETOR.

Hongkong, 24th October, 1895. [1349]

THE CLUB HOTEL.

5, BUND, YOKOHAMA.

FIRST-CLASS HOTELS, centrally situated, well-furnished, the Cuisine under the Supervi-
sion of approved French Chef has no equal. ENTIRE FOREIGN MANAGEMENT.
Experienced English matron in attendance.

The Hotel Steam-launch with European Agent attends arrivals and departures; every
assistance given in clearing luggage and affording information. Passengers are met at the
Railway Station.

VISITORS have the option of messing either in TOKYO or YOKOHAMA, without extra
charge—THE ONLY HOTEL OFFERING SUCH AN ADVANTAGE. EUROPEAN HAIR DRESSER
on the Premises.

Certified Guides are in attendance at both Hotels.

THE CLUB HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED, PROPRIETORS.

C. T. BENNEY, Manager, YOKOHAMA. L. DEWETTE, Manager, TOKYO.

THE DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-
ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the
COMPANY will be held at the Office
of the COMPANY, No. 13, Praya Central, Victoria,
Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 26th day of
November, 1895, at NOON, when the Subscribed
Resolution which was passed at the Extra-
ordinary General Meeting of the Company held
on the 1st October instant will be submitted
for confirmation as a Special Resolution—

"That the Full Stop at the end of the first
paragraph of Article XIX of the Articles
of Association be omitted, and that there
be substituted therefor the words 'or in
'or towards the payment to the Share-
holders of such Bonus or Bonuses as the
'General Managers shall with the approval
'of the Constituting Committee think fit.'"

Dated the 22nd October, 1895.

DOUGLAS LARRAIK & Co.,
General Managers.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given that the
TWENTY-SECOND ORDINARY
MEETING of the SOCIETY will be
held at the Head Office, No. 4, The Praya,
Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, the 30th October,
1895, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving
the Report of the Directors, together with Statements
of Accounts for the year 1894, and for the Half-
year ending the 30th June, 1895, and of declaring
a Dividend and Bonus, and electing Officers.

A Resolution will also be submitted for the
Meeting to adopt the proposal of the Board, as
per Circular to the Shareholders of the 1st
July, 1895, regarding the increase of Paid-up
Capital.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be
CLOSED from the 19th to the 30th October,
both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
M. J. EDE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 15th October, 1895. [1413]

BUSINESS NOTICE.

COAL MERCHANTS AND CHARTERERS,
No. 44, PRAYA CENTRAL.

THE Undersigned having started in
Business as
COAL and TEA MERCHANTS,
STEVEDORES and
STOREKEEPERS,
are prepared to Supply Steamers with
COAL, STORES, &c., &c.,
at moderate prices and respectfully solicit the
Patronage of the Shipping Community.

WING CHEONG & Co.,
No. 44, Praya Central.

CHUN WING TONG,
Managing Partner.

A YON,
Business Manager.

Hongkong, 10th October, 1895. [1444]

Insurances.

BONUS YEAR.

STANDARD LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY.

ESTABLISHED 1825.

POLICIES ISSUED IN 1894 FOR £1,792,569.
FUNDS.....£8,000,000.

The next DIVISION OF PROFITS will be
at 15th November next.

BONUSES Declared at 15th November, 1890,
£1,000,000.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

"With Profits" Policies taken out before 15th
November, 1895, will rank for one year's Bonus.
DODWELL, CARILL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 16th August, 1895. [1199]

TYPHOON INSURANCE NOTICE.

HOUSE-OWNERS, TRUSTEES, MORT-
GAGEES and Others interested in
HOUSE PROPERTY are informed that
THE COMMERCIAL UNION ASSURANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED,

are prepared to accept Risks against LOSS or
DAMAGE by TYPHOONS at Moderate Rates.
For Particulars, apply to
WM. MACBEAN,
LOCAL MANAGER, Hongkong Branch,
Connaught House,
Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, 1st July, 1895. [1869]

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned AGENTS of the above
Company are prepared to accept First
Class FOREIGN and CHINESE RISKS at
CURRENT RATES.

SIEMSEN & Co.
Hongkong, 28th May, 1895. [1701]

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE CHAI ON MARINE INSURANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED.....\$1,000,000

The above Company is prepared to accept
MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS,
&c. Policies granted to all Parts of the World
payable at any of its Agencies.

CHAN HEWAN,
Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE,
No. 42, BATHAM STRAND WEST,
Hongkong, 22nd August, 1895. [1134]

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY,
(LIMITED).

CAPITAL, TAELS 600,000 } \$833,333.33.
EQUAL TO
RESERVE FUND\$318,000.00.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
LEE SING, Esq., Lo Yuet Moon, Esq.,
LOU TSO SHUN, Esq.

MANAGER—HO AMEL.

MARINE RISKS on GOODS, &c., taken
at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the
World.

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST.
Hongkong, 17th December, 1894. [1177]

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY,
LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED\$1,000,000

The above Company is prepared to accept
MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS,
&c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world
payable at any of its Agencies.

CHAU TSEUNG FAT,
Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE,
No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST,
Hongkong, 26th May, 1895. [1114]

Intimations.

PRESENTATION TO LIEUT.-COLONEL
BARROW AND THE OFFICERS OF
H.M.'S HONGKONG REGIMENT.

AN Address to Lieut.-Colonel BARROW
has been prepared, and will be presented
to him by His Excellency Sir WILLIAM
ROBINSON, K.C.M.G., at the CITY HALL
TOMORROW, the 26th instant, at 11 A.M.
All Members of the Community are invited to
attend.

For the Committee,
J. C. PETER,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 25th October, 1895. [1400]

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

PROBATE JURISDICTION.

IN THE GOODS OF YEONG SHUEY LUN,
alias YEONG SHU LUN, LATE OF YUEN
CHUN, IN THE PREFECTURE OF SHU
HING, IN THE EMPIRE OF CHINA,
MARRIAGE, DECEASED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the
Honourable the CHIEF JUSTICE having,
in virtue of Ordinance No. 9 of 1870, Section 3,
made an Order Limiting to the 1st February,
1896, the time for Creditors and others to send
in their CLAIMS against the above Estate,
All Creditors are hereby required to send in
their CLAIMS to the Undersigned before the
said date.

Dated this 4th day of October, 1895.

VICTOR H. DEACON,
Solicitor for the Estate,
11 Queen's Road,
Hongkong.

Today's Advertisements.

ZETLAND LODGE.

No. 525, E.C.
A REGULAR MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zealand Street, on FRIDAY, the 25th November, at 8.30 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.
Hongkong, 25th October, 1895. 17467

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

THE following Particulars and Conditions of Sale of Crown Land by Public Auction, to be held on the spot, on
TUESDAY,
the 30th day of October, 1895, at 3 P.M., are published for general information.
By Command,
J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,
Colonial Secretary.

Particulars and Conditions of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on Tuesday, the 30th day of October, 1895, at 3 P.M., by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of Four Lots of CROWN LAND, at Yau-mat, Kowloon, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 Years.
PARTICULARS OF THE LOTS.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.	Area in Acres, Roods, and Perches.	Annual Rent.	Upkeep.
1	10	Kowloon	Yau-mat, Battery Street, 11 1/2 x 16 1/2	16.8	750	10
2	20	Do.	Do., 11 1/2 x 16 1/2	16.8	750	10
3	30	Do.	Do., 11 1/2 x 16 1/2	16.8	750	10
4	35	Do.	Do., 11 1/2 x 16 1/2	16.8	750	10

PUBLIC AUCTION.
THE Underigned has received instructions from H. M. NAVAL STOREKEEPER, to Sell by
PUBLIC AUCTION,
ON
WEDNESDAY, the 6th day of November, 1895, at 11 O'CLOCK,
at H. M. NAVAL YARD,
SUNDY NAVAL AND VICTUALLING
CONDEMNED STORES,
Comprising—
OLD IRON, PAPER STUFF, RAGS
CANVAS, STORES, CLOTHING, &c.
TERMS OF SALE:—As customary.
J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 25th October, 1895. 17465

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.
FOR BOMBAY, VIA SINGAPORE AND
COLOMBO.
(Calling at PENANG if inducement offers.)
THE Steamship
"ARROYO,"
Captain R. Samuel, will be despatched as above
on FRIDAY, the 1st November, at Daylight.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.
Hongkong, 25th October, 1895. 17470

BROWN, JONES & CO.
DEALERS IN
ITALIAN AND AMERICAN MARBLE AND
HONGKONG GRANITE CEMETERY
MEMORIALS.
LETTERS CUT AND FILLED WITH IMPERISHABLE
LEAD CEMENT.

Intimations.
DAKIN, CRICKSHANK &
COMPANY, LIMITED,
VICTORIA DISPENSARY,
HONGKONG.

AERATED WATERS.
SIMPLE AERATED WATER.
SODA WATER.
LEMONADE.
GINGER ALE.
SARSAPARILLA.
RASPBERRYVADE, &c.

DAKIN, CRICKSHANK & Co.'s WATERS are made under the constant supervision of a daily qualified English Chemist and will bear comparison with the best English Manufactures.
Special terms to HOTELS, CLUBS, MESSIES and other Large Consumers.
Any complaints should be addressed to the Manager.
Hongkong, 3rd May, 1895. 1747

A. S. WATSON & CO.,
LIMITED.
VEGETABLE AND FLOWER
SEEDS.
SEASON 1895-96.

Our First Supplies of these best Quality Seeds have arrived, and Orders will be executed in the sequence in which they are received as long as the supply lasts.

Intimations.

SEED LISTS

HINTS FOR GARDENING

have been issued and can be obtained on application.

Our Seeds are all tested before being put up in LONDON.

They are packed under our own Supervision, and the greatest care is exercised to insure protection in transit.

Sowings should be made in WET WEATHER ONLY and the remainder of the packets secured from damp, and kept in a dry place for repeat sowings.

CLAY'S FERTILIZER.

A high-class Fertilizer for Pot Plants and for use in the Garden generally.

It supplies natural nourishment to the soil, and assists the process of assimilation, thereby aiding the Plants to attain to their full size, vigour and beauty.

Sold in Tins containing 10 lbs. each.....\$1.75.
25 lbs. ".....\$4.50.
Directions for use are given on the Label.

RAMSON'S "NEW PARIS"

LAWN MOWERS.

The Best and Cheapest Machines in the Market.
For Sale at Manufacturers' Prices.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.
ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.
Hongkong, 25th August, 1895. 17468

BIRTHS.
At 12, Mohawk Road, Shanghai, on the 19th instant, the wife of GEORGE SUTHERLAND, of a daughter.
At 6 Pekin-road, Shanghai, on the 21st of October, Mrs. W. M. DOWDALL, of a son.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24, 1895.

QUESTIONS OF REVENUE.

Recently we had occasion to direct attention to the loss of revenue resulting from the establishment in our midst of private Chinese post offices. It is now our duty, in the interests of the ratepayers, to invite the authorities concerned to look very carefully into the matter of the revenue obtainable by virtue of the provisions of the Stamp Ordinances, for we believe it will be found that the revenue under the head "Adhesive Stamps" annually falls several thousands of dollars short of what it ought to be. The law provides that stamps must be attached to receipts for cash paid which is equivalent to or exceeds in the aggregate \$10. Do all the thousand and one Chinese, Indian and European traders, large and small, affix stamps to all and every receipt for cash received in payment of current or other accounts? We think not. And we are further of opinion that the vast majority of Chinese traders, both buyers and sellers, utterly ignore the law in this respect. A Chinaman when dealing with one of his own countrymen requires the "chop" or seal of his customer. That, in his estimation, is a perfectly legal and sufficient receipt for cash paid, and he neither thinks nor cares about having a British post-stamp on the document. That being so, it is at all likely that the majority of Chinese go out of their way to procure stamps with a view to conforming with the laws of the colony? There are other questions connected with this subject and the answer to them will, we think, be sufficient to exonerate the Chinese from all blame. Is the staff of clerks employed in the Stamp Office adequate for the proper performance of the duties attaching to the department? Are any steps taken by the Colonial Treasurer to protect the Stamp revenue? Have the Chinese been informed by proclamations, in Chinese, during, say, the past five years, what the gist of the law is in respect to the subject-matter of this article? If they have been informed did the information include a careful and handy translation of the gist of the law? We are greatly mistaken if anything of the kind suggested has been done, and yet if the law now applies only to one or two sections of the community how is it possible that the Chinese can be acquainted with its provisions unless the salient features of it are from time to time placed before them in their own language and in a form which would at once serve as a useful reminder and a convenient reference in case of doubt? It would be as unjust to prosecute Chinese for evasion or non-compliance with the provisions of the Stamp Ordinances without giving them fair notice, as it was to arrest a few Chinese letter-carriers the other day and charge them with attempting to defraud the revenue, and for the same reasons as were then advanced in extenuation of what was regarded, either rightly or wrongly, as an offence bordering on crime. Proper notice should invariably be given of the intention of Government to enforce respect for the provisions of laws which have been, as were the Post Office Ordinances, allowed to become dead-letters.

But it is not so much in respect to evasions of the law by Chinese that the general body of ratepayers are losers as by the extravagance and waste of the Public Works Department and the payment of high salaries to some heads of departments and others who unblushingly take to themselves the full credit of the hard and honest labours of their subordinates—the working bees in the government hive. It is, we think, well-nigh undeniable that there are in the local government service many efficient and hard-working men who are grossly unpaid, and who are practically the wage-earners for their more fortunate chiefs. It is, of course, under present circumstances mere waste of words to protest against the reckless squandering of public funds and the employment of unsuitable officials, but in view of the fact that His Excellency the Governor stated a day or two ago, at the meeting held in connection with the Public Library, that he hoped shortly to announce a large surplus, it may not be out of place to here suggest, while dwelling on the important question of revenue, that whatever the surplus may amount to it is conceivable that it should—had the ratepayers a louder and more imperative voice in their own affairs, and were the fundamental principle of the British Constitution the true basis of this Colony's Charter—great as it may be, be very much larger. Moreover, we are bound to bear in mind the important fact that this Colony has a sterling Loan to settle yet, and that so long as we are in debt it is somewhat difficult to fully appreciate the satisfaction which may be afforded the powers that be by announcing in debt that instead of being more heavily in debt than heretofore, the accounts show a profit on one side and no unexpected losses on the other. However, we are, perhaps, a little too previous and had better await the Governor's speech in the Council Chamber before going into details. It is always more pleasant to have figures before one prior to any serious attempt being made to adduce facts, and it may be that, confident predictions to the contrary notwithstanding, His Excellency has in store for us a most pleasant surprise. It is often the unexpected which happens, and it may be that we are now within measurable distance of having a most welcome, startling, and unexpected surplus placed to our credit. Let us hope so.

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REUTER'S MESSAGES.

COLLAPSE OF THE LONDON MINING STOCK MARKET.

LONDON, October 24th.
A severe collapse of the Mining Stock Market has occurred in London.

GERVANY IN THE F.R. EAST.
Prince Hohenzollern is the new German settlement at Tientsin and Hankow as inadequate, and strongly urges the acquisition of the Chusan Islands regardless of the ill-will of other Powers.

TELEGRAM.

(Special to *Shanghai Mercury*).
THE "KUNGPAT" DISASTER.
TIENTSIN, October 19th.

It is believed that the disaster occurred through the explosion of gun-powder on board the *Kungpat*. The explosion was seen from the shore occurred in the fore part of the vessel, which immediately heaved upwards, a volume of smoke arose and the vessel sank immediately, bow first. At low water the after part of the steamer can be seen. It is also said that at least two hundred soldiers reported to be lost, had not gone on board, reducing the number lost to 400.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

A very successful performance of *Turned Up* was given by the Shanghai A.D.C. at the Lyceum on Saturday last.

It is notified that to-morrow being the Chung Yeung (ancestor worship) Festival, the Peak trams will run every quarter of an hour from 7.30 a.m. to 10.8 p.m.

MR. A. P. HAPPER, Commissioner of Customs, was to leave Shanghai for Newchwang on the 22nd, to relieve Mr. T. F. Hughes, who goes home on leave.

It was reported in Shanghai on the 21st instant that Germany is seeking to get a concession in that port. The Japanese concession is, according to the *N. C. Daily News*, to be at Pabstjan, at the back of the French concession.

TO-MORROW a match will be played on the Cricket Ground between the Cricket Club and a team selected to represent the Football and Hockey Clubs. By the courtesy of Lieut-Col. Barrow and the Officers, the Band of the Hongkong Regiment will play on the ground during the afternoon.

WE received by the last mail from Europe a copy of the menu and wine-card used at the banquet recently tendered by the Municipality of Bordeaux to M. Felix Faure, President of the *Republique Francaise*. By the menu in question we note the champagne supplied at this historical banquet was none other than Messieurs G. H. Munim & Co.'s "Extra Dry" for which sell some famous brand *Messieurs Shewan & Co.* are, as will be seen by an ad on the front page of this issue, agents in Hongkong. It is an excellent pick-me-up, a delightful after-dinner beverage, and, as is said, used by the great at the great banquet in Bordeaux, notable for big dinners, late supper, and, in fact, for all sorts and conditions of people who can afford to go in for the best of everything and religiously chew all "no-no" beverages.

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ASSASSINATION OF THE QUEEN OF KOREA.

THE MURDER OF THIRTEEN LADIES-IN-WAITING.

SHOCKING ATROCITIES.
(From our Correspondent.)
CHERULPOO, October 12th.

I wrote to you on the 8th inst., and little thought then there would be any necessity for me to write again so soon, but on the very day I wrote that letter an atrocity of the most cruel nature took place. It was a murder committed in broad daylight, and the victims were fourteen Korean ladies, amongst whom was the Queen of Korea. The other thirteen were her maids-in-waiting, and these were butchered and burned by Japanese.

HOW IT OCCURRED.
At about four o'clock on the morning of the 8th inst., some two hundred Korean soldiers who are being drilled by the Japanese, and as stated in my former letter, were denominated the Household Troops, along with some forty Japanese *soldats* (or what is supposed to be such) all armed with swords, went to the Talwan's place and asked him to come to the palace as he had promised them to do, but which promise he had not hitherto kept. The old prince was unwilling to do as requested, but was forced in some way or other to yield to their demands. On arriving at the palace some were let in by side doors, therefore it was evident that there were already traitors inside to admit them. Others forced open some of the inner gates, whilst others climbed over the wall. Strange to say also a Japanese military officer, with a small guard, forced his way into the grounds of the palace, killing one of the officers belonging to the Palace Guard, who made but a faint resistance. The Palace Guards also made but a poor stand. Out of some thirty officers that should have been there, only thirteen were in the palace at the time, and some of these, I understand, were traitors. After a few volleys were fired the palace was in the possession of the assassins. While these things were going on the Japanese *soldats* surrounded the Queen's quarters and entered her apartments, and commenced the carnage by killing all the ladies-in-waiting present. The Queen, and another lady were dragged by the hair of their heads and placed in sacks. They were then hurried to the wood at the rear of the palace, which is called the Deer Park, where they were murdered and burned. The assassins had prepared for their purpose a pile on which the bodies were laid and oil poured over them. This being done the torch was applied and the bodies were reduced to ashes.

THE TALWAN.
But where was the Talwan at this time, may we ask? The fact is the old Prince was taken to the palace with the assassin, so as to make it appear that it was he who had given orders to commit the atrocities, and not the Japanese. His enemy to the Queen was well known, but I am afraid the Japanese have caught a Tartar in the old place, who will pay them back in their own coin with interest to boot. Besides the Queen, and the thirteen ladies some fifteen other Koreans lost their lives. The Talwan has turned up in the Palace and it has been discovered that he was taken to the Japanese Legation.

BATTALION SHIELD RACE, distance—1 mile. Prizes—Batt. Shield and \$25.
SKIFF RACE, distance—1 mile. Prizes—\$25, \$4, \$2.
SECOND CRAWLS RACE, distance—1 mile. Prizes—\$25, \$4, \$2.
DINOHY RACE, distance—1 mile. Prizes—\$25, \$4, \$2.
BATTALION HANDICAP, distance—1 mile. Prizes—\$25, \$4, \$2.
SCRATCH CRAWLS, distance—1 mile; for men who have not taken part in events 1 to 5; only the four, six, and eight-oared boats, first bought by Companies, can be used in this race; each boat's crew must belong to the Company owning the boat. Prizes—\$25, \$4, \$2.

A REGULAR meeting of Zealand Lodge, No. 525, E.C., will be held in the Freemasons' Hall, Zealand Street, on Friday, the 1st proximo, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting brethren are cordially invited.

A VERY sensible man, that Parisian Commissioner de Police, who arrested the author of the attempted explosion at the Rothschild's Bank. He made the prisoner pick up the bomb, and carry it himself to the police-station, remarking daily,—"If the thing explodes, you shall be the first to die." Practical jokes are not often as judiciously worthy of approbation.

A CURIOUS accident occurred in Bangkok the other day. While plucking snipe over an aperture in his kitchen floor, a cock's head was suddenly seized by a snake from beneath and badly bitten. Remedies were at once applied by the cock's employer, and beyond a slight swelling and a little pain he appeared none the worse for his startling experience. It is supposed that the snake, probably a python, "struck" at the bird, and unintentionally bit the cock in an attempt to grab a sweet morsel.

THE *Bulletin* usually has something funny to say about all the "big men" that happen to drop in at a little town called Sydney, N.S.W., and this is what it has to say about America's greatest humorist in its issue of 23rd ultimo—Mark Twain is one of the very few imported celebrities who can be respected as a reasonable and sane inspection, that is. He is a well-to-do, shaggy person, who presents a close and, perhaps, intentional resemblance to his portrait as it appeared recently in *The Bulletin*. His head is like an amir's gum-tree, and his mane sticks out in all directions, and gives him the wild expression of a man who has just found a baby's shoe in the soup. Yet he is a very placid humorist, all the same. He speaks slowly and easily, with a break between his sentences, so that he can listen to Sydney's couplings the takings in the back-room as he goes along. Also, he trots up and down at times with a curious trot, but most of the time he stands quite still in front of his audience and muses alone. There is practically nothing new in his discourse. All his stories are taken from his own old books, and, though he tells them in a wildly comic fashion, their age is a considerable drawback. Also, the extreme gradualness of the speaker's manner, and the long time the inspiring anecdote takes to get to a point, which commenced, the proceedings on the first night, lasted twelve, and in the Australian climate, where the deceased doesn't keep for any considerable period, this prolonged exposure was unwise. Moreover, the Australian likes his corpse fresh. Still, it was a most interesting corpse, and Mark Twain must be set down as a decided success. On his first night at least, he was evidently viewed as a successful person, saying that he "couldn't stand this rot." The rest of the audience remained and applauded tremendously. One enthusiast even stated suddenly that he would have given 20 guineas only to see the author of the "Jumping Frog," and his friend said he would have given thirty, though whether they wanted to see all of him for the money, or only his head and his dress-suit, didn't appear. Anyhow, the *Bulletin* is of opinion that Mr. Twain could make considerable sum by giving private back views of himself in a dressing gown at a guinea a head. He wears a cleaner collar than Talmage, and lacks the funeral aspect of most humorists; he doesn't know, and all things considered, he doesn't look like a man who deserved to have Parker's oratory let loose upon him at a heavy dinner in a strange land. The people who set up Parker to talk at Mark Twain had a wide knowledge of the unfishiness of things in general.

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SPORTING NOTES.

TRAINING FOR THE RACES.

SHAUGHAN, October 19th.

For "The Maiden Stakes" undoubtedly Ariel shined out upon Billy Way, and we may trust the cautious farmer to take all the necessary care of his little snow-white lamb. At present he needs delicate handling, but too much of the glass case is always rather dangerous. However, be careful to see that the seal is not broken on the bottle when you take your coffee in the early morning. Concert pitch should not be maintained too long. The Clyde, though rather a dry river is not so dry, and will be in full flood probably after the rain, but after all, the Ewe Rillman might score the first bull's eye, if only he understands his Master's property, and if he should land this coveted prize, no doubt amongst our pretty Frames at the Grand Stand we can find one suitable to immortalise him. The poetic proximity of the Shoofty to bother people may be again exemplified in this race, so I should advise the jockeys to take out their fire whips as well as their whips, if they want to keep him off their flanks and noses. For this event Mr. Single starter is being kept very dark, and unless you are on his back you can't get his time, so young is the dawn when he gets his gallops. If he is up to his early spring form before he went wrong, he'll be fairly "in it." "The cracks" above named can't do the trick between them, then there may be some Magnificent Lulu to be done by The Pirate.

THE ST. LEONOR.

We have not had a more open race since Zephyr, with Mr. F. Dallas up, and Homeguard, piloted by Mr. Read, struggled together for the last half-mile in 1879, and to judge by the racing performance, a very good one again, in the race for the St. Leonor. The race was a very hot one, and the former, like all other stoners, requires a lot of admittance so it is to be hoped a strong and skilful pilot will be obtained for him. Indeed, in order to keep him going, I think at least four men will be required to do the shouting. Sans Douce will doubtless keep these two company and yet will these three shall not be at all the event of a *St. Leonor* as we have seen in the past the confidence, swept forward by *St. Leonor*, with a whirlwind which might frighten past the line ahead of the craft he has borne along so far before him all the way. Starlight I expect will have to pay The Piper for The Laird. What has gone wrong with the Laird? The Rivers don't give us the idea of the spring. Perhaps they miss the Bally. At the conclusion of this struggle some *St. Leonor* or Bally Be is almost sure to be near at hand to Hall Columbia! Long live the Republic!

In the Shanghai Stakes the Eclipse of Orion may be preceded by Torchlight, but Diablotin might again have snatched the victory had it not been for Vaguer's suddenness to him just before they booked their seats for this interesting contest.

For the "Criteria" I'm inclined to think we shall have to write Dittie under Orion's names again, though the prices paid for Blackberry in the Race Club letter show that his owners still have absolute confidence in him. Sans Paril will surely make it hot, and if Black Velvet contents it he'll make it a close affair, for his work at dusk may have done him much good of late, as his gallop this morning proved. Finally and lastly—"The Champions." This great event, in which apparently the public take so little interest that they have to stimulate themselves into an excitement even by laughing their names as often as possible upon a large sheet of paper in the German Tent, at only ten dollars per signature all of which somebody else usually buys after the races) will probably be most vigorously contested by the winners of the principal previous events. Orion and Blackberry are Sans Douce almost Sans Paril upon the Shanghai course. The two stable may be able to throw some "light" upon the subject of "this" action, as they have to "believe" in the stable this time. Hark! the "Criteria" is "believe." Beware! "Believe" in the *Shanghai Mercury*.

QUEEN'S MOTHER COMMITS SUICIDE.
The following day the Queen's mother was so frightened and beside herself that she committed suicide. Yet, up to the time of willing, the death of the Queen has not been officially announced, but it is only rumoured that she has been disgraced by orders of the King and ordered to leave the Palace, and public mourning will not be indulged in.

FOREIGN MINISTERS CONFERENCE HAVE

AU TENCE.
The following day the Foreign Ministers held a conference. Two of the Ministers had a private and confidential audience with the King, at which the Japanese Minister wished to be present, but the old Talwan refused and told the Japanese Minister that he could not. The Japanese Minister demanded an audience, but the Talwan was firm and his demands were of no avail. The Japanese will find that the old gentleman (the Talwan) is not like his son.

A TRIBUTE TO JAPANESE CIVILISATION.

This is Japanese civilisation with a vengeance. No matter how nice the Japanese may dress themselves in European finery in the shape of civil, military and naval uniforms, it is merely veneer, for their savage and deceptive nature still remains. This is the second time these frightful atrocities have taken place, this time of a more bloody nature than the last, as it was merely against defenceless women.

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Hongkong, 11th October, 1895. [1400]

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Hongkong, 23rd October, 1895. [1455]

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"SZECHUEN,"
Captain Derby, will be despatched on MONDAY, the 28th instant.
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THE Company's Steamship

"YUENSANG,"
Captain W. Waddell, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 28th instant, at 4 P.M.
This Steamer has Superior Accommodation for First-class Passengers.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 21st October, 1895. [1459]

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.
THE Steamship

"LIGHTNING,"
Captain J. G. S. enee, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 29th instant, at 3 P.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 24th October, 1895. [1464]

"GLEN" LINE OF STEAM PACKETS.
FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.
THE Steamship

"GLENEARN,"
Captain Murray, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 29th instant, at 4 P.M.
Instead of as previously notified.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 17th October, 1895. [1458]

FOR CHEFOO AND TIENTSIN.
THE Steamship

"FUPING,"
Captain Lehmann, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 29th instant, at 5 P.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
CARLOWITZ & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 23rd October, 1895. [1456]

"MILBURN" LINE OF STEAMERS.
FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.
THE Steamship

"PORT PHILIP,"
Captain Grey, R.N.R., will be despatched for the above Port on or about TUESDAY, the 29th instant.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DODWELL, CARILL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 17th October, 1895. [1371]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.
THE Company's Steamship

"PRIAM,"
Captain C. Jackson, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 29th instant.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 17th October, 1895. [1428]

FOR KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.
THE Steamship

"BENGLOE,"
Captain Thompson, will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 29th instant.
For Freight, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 24th October, 1895. [1444]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.
THE Company's Steamship

"MENELAUS,"
Captain Towell, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 29th instant.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 24th October, 1895. [1466]

FOR DELAGOA BAY AND NATAL.
(Taking Cargo at through rates for EAST LONDON, PORT ELIZABETH AND CAPE TOWN.)
THE Steamship

"VANARIVA,"
Captain Weston, will leave for the above Ports about the 10th November.
For Freight, apply to
GILMAN & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 11th October, 1895. [1402]

THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.
FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.
(With liberty to call at MANILA.)
THE Company's Steamship

"PINGSUEY,"
D. Davies, Commander, will be despatched as above on or about the 10th proximo.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 21st October, 1895. [1446]

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

FOR SHANGHAI.

THE Steamship

"LYEEMOON,"

Captain G. Heermann, will be despatched for the above Port TO-MORROW, the 26th instant, at 4 P.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
SIEMSEN & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 24th October, 1895. [1462]

SAILING VESSELS.

FOR NEW YORK.

THE 3 1/2 A.L. American Ship

"SAINT JAMES,"

Clifford, Master, will leave here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
CARLOWITZ & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 20th September, 1895. [1431]

FOR NEW YORK.

THE 100 A.L. British 4-masted Bark

"MATTERHORN,"

John Williams, Master, is now loading here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 8th October, 1895. [1438]

Consignees.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

"LIGHTNING"

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.
Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after the 25th instant, will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into the Godowns of the Wanchai Warehouse and Storage Company, Limited, Wanchai.
Consignees of Cargo from SINGAPORE and PENANG are requested to take IMMEDIATE DELIVERY of their Goods from alongside, such Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.
No Fire Insurance will be effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 23rd October, 1895. [1457]

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S. S. "PRINZ HEINRICH."

THE above named Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with their exception of Opium, Treasures and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.
Optional Cargo will go on to Shanghai unless notice to the contrary be given TO-DAY before Noon.
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 29th October, will be subject to rent.
All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined on MONDAY, the 28th October, at 3 P.M.
All Claims must reach us before the 30th October, or they will not be recognized.
No Fire Insurance can be effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 12nd October, 1895. [1391]

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES OF CARGO per Steamship

"CITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO"

The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.
Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.
J. S. VAN BUREN,
Agent.
Hongkong, 21st October, 1895. [1401]

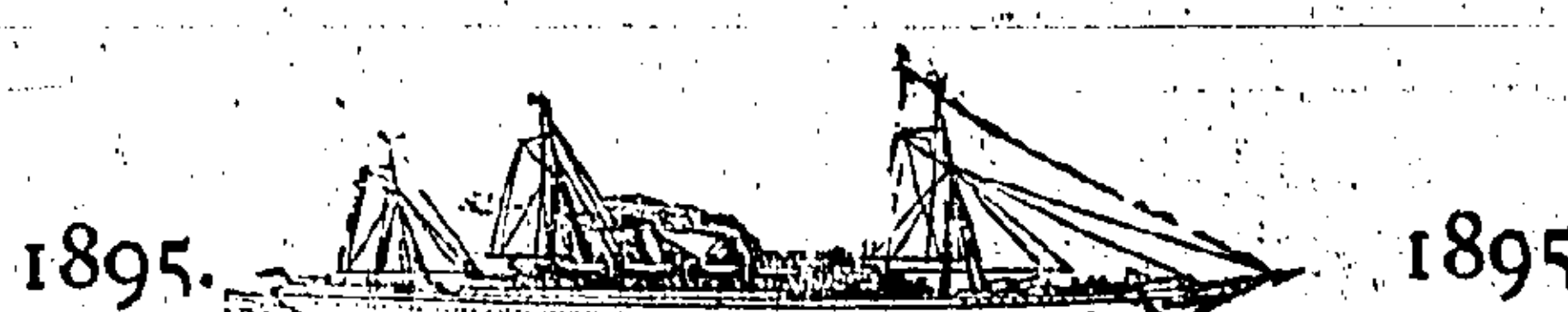
"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "BERLAWERS,"

FROM ANTWERP AND LONDON.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after 2 P.M. proximo, will be subject to rent.
All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 25th instant, or they will not be recognized.
All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined on the 24th instant, at 3 P.M.
No Fire Insurance will be effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 19th October, 1895. [1440]

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY'S
ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.

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THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.
(CALLING AT SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA AND VICTORIA, B.C.)
Twin Screw Steamships—6,000 Tons—10,000 Horse Power—Speed 19 knots.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
EMPEROR OF CHINA...Comdr. R. Archibald, R.N.R...WEDNESDAY, 30th October.
EMPEROR OF INDIA...Comdr. O. P. Marshall, R.N.R...WEDNESDAY, 27th November.
EMPEROR OF JAPAN...Comdr. G. A. Lee, R.N.R...WEDNESDAY, 25th December.

THE magnificent Steamships of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS, making close connection at Vancouver with the PALATIAL TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS OF THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY leaving there daily, and cross the Continent FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection is made at Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

Passengers booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD. Return tickets to various points at reduced rates. Good for 4, 6, 9 and 12 months.
SPECIAL RATES (First-class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan Governments.

CIRCULAR PACIFIC TICKETS. Hongkong to Vancouver, Vancouver to Sydney Australia, via Honolulu, and Sydney to Hongkong via Brisbane and Torres Straits. Good for 6 months, 12mo.

The attractive features of this Company's route, embraces its PALATIAL STEAMSHIPS, (second to none in the World), the LUXURIANCE OF ITS TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS (the Company having received the highest award for same at recent Chicago World's Exhibition) and the diversity of MAGNIFICENT MOUNTAIN AND LAKE SCENERY through which the Line passes.

THE DINING CARS AND MOUNTAIN HOTELS of this route are owned and operated by the Company, and their appointments and Cuisine are unequalled.
For further information, Maps, Guide Books, Rates of Passage, &c., apply to

D. E. BROWN, General Agent,
Paddar's Street.
Hongkong, 2nd October, 1895. [13]

OCCIDENTAL & ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE.

THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
Gaelic (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea & Yokohama)..... Tuesday, 5th Nov., at Noon.
Belge (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea & Yokohama)..... Saturday, 7th Dec., at Noon.
Coptic (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea & Yokohama & Honolulu)..... Thursday, 26th Dec., at Noon.

THE Steamship

"GAELIC" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA AND YOKOHAMA on TUESDAY, the 5th November, at Noon. Connection being made at Yokohama with Steamers from Shanghai.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at Honolulu and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates, and particulars of the various Routes may be obtained upon application.

Special rates (First-class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, to European Officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within one year, will be allowed a discount of 10 per cent. This allowance does not apply to through fares for China and Japan en route.

All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to address in full, and same will be received at the Company's Office until Five P.M. the day previous to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Japan beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.
Hongkong, 17th October, 1895. [14]

NOTICE.

THE BEST PREVENTIVE OF ALL INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

J. EYES FLUID THE BEST DISINFECTANT

AVOID ALL RISK OF OUTBREAK BY ITS USE.

W. G. HUMPHREYS & Co.,
24, Praya Central.
Hongkong, 25th March 1895.

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&c., &c.

EVERY KIND OF
SHIP'S STORES AND REQUISITES
ALWAYS IN STOCK.
AT
REASONABLE PRICES.
Hongkong, 20th July, 1895.

THE STEAMSHIP

"CHITTANGONG" will be despatched hence for PORTLAND, OREGON, via KOBE, and YOKOHAMA, on SATURDAY, the 16th November.

Consular Invoice of Goods for United States Points should be in QUADRUPPLICATE; and one Copy must be sent forward by the Steamer to the care of the GENERAL FREIGHT AGENT, Oregon Railway and Navigation Co., Portland, Oregon.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to
SHEWAN & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 24th October, 1895. [1437]

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NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP AND RAILROAD COMPANIES.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN.
THE attention of Passengers is directed to the very cheap rates offered by this Line to the PACIFIC COAST, and to the INTERIOR and EASTERN CITIES of the UNITED STATES and CANADA and to EUROPE.

HONGKONG TO LONDON \$400.
Excellent accommodation. First-class Table, DOCTOR and STEWARDESSE carried.

HONGKONG TO NEW YORK \$350.
The Railroad travelling is second to none on the American Continent. Magnificent Scenery of the ROCKY and CASCADE MOUNTAINS. The YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK route. Passengers to EUROPE may proceed by one of the first class ATLANTIC MAIL LINES.

HONGKONG TO TACOMA \$225.
Rates of Passage to other Points on application.
Special rates allowed to members of Government Services.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

Tacoma 2,549 | Tuesday ... | Oct. 29.
Strathmore 3,574 | Tuesday ... | Nov. 19.
Victoria 3,167 | Tuesday ... | Dec. 10.
Hankow 3,504 | Tuesday ... | Dec. 31.
Tacoma 2,549 | Tuesday ... | Jan. 7.
Victoria 3,167 | Tuesday ... | Feb. 11.

*No Passengers carried by this sailing.
THE Steamship

"TACOMA,"
Captain R. Crawford, sailing at Noon, on TUESDAY, the 29th October, will proceed to VICTORIA, B.C., and TACOMA, (Wash.), via SHANGHAI, INLAND SEA, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Japan, Pacific Coast Ports, and to Canadian and United States Ports.

Consular Invoices of Goods for United States Points should be in quadruplicate; and one copy must be sent forward by the Steamer to the care of the Freight Agent, Northern Pacific Railroad, Tacoma, Wash.

Parcels must be sent to our Office (with address marked in full) by 5 P.M., on the day previous to sailing.
For further information as to Passage or Freight, apply to
DODWELL, CARILL & Co.,
General Agents.
Hongkong, 9th October, 1895. [4]

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN, and HAMBURG.

PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS.

ALSO LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON, AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.

N.B.—Cargo can be taken ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR THE PRINCIPAL PLACES IN RUSSIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

Prinz Heinrich Monday ... | 11th Nov.
Prinzess Monday ... | 9th Dec.
Sachsen Monday ... | 6th Jan.
Gera Monday ... | 3rd Feb.

ON MONDAY, the 11th day of November, 1895, at 3 P.M., the Company's Steamship "PRINZ HEINRICH," Captain W. Schmolander, with MALES, PASSENGERS, SPECIE and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, calling at NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon on SATURDAY, the 9th Nov. Cargo and Specie will be received on board until Noon on Monday the 11th Nov. and Passengers will be received at the Agency's Office until Noon on SUNDAY, the 10th Nov. Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than \$2.50 and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Measurement.

The Steamer has splendid Accommodation and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess. Lises can be washed on board.

For further Particulars, apply to
MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 18th October, 1895. [1391]

OREGON RAILWAY AND NAVIGATION COMPANY'S PACIFIC STEAMSHIP LINE.

CHINA AND JAPAN.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, 1895.
(Subject to Alteration.)

Chittangong Saturday | 16th Nov.

TAKING PASSENGERS AND CARGO FOR UNITED STATES AND CANADA AT THROUGH RATES.

THE Steamship

"CHITTANGONG" will be despatched hence for PORTLAND, OREGON, via KOBE, and YOKOHAMA, on SATURDAY, the 16th November.

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For further